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Sir:

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS AS A
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN (37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c))

Applicant respectfully requests that its entity status be changed to small entity in the above-referenced application. On November 1, 2002, this application was filed without assertion of small entity status. Applicant has since undergone a change in business structure, which now makes it eligible for small entity status, and such status is now being affirmatively asserted.

I hereby declare that I am the president of the small business concern identified below:

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I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern now qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121.801 through 121.805, for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 U.S.C. § 41(h)(1), in that the number of employees of the business concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For the purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the business concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each

of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) business concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one business concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

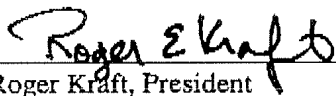
I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled AUTOMOBILE IDENTIFICATION LABELING AND TRACKING SYSTEM, by inventors Merlin F. Mercer, James P. Harman, Mary Lillian Sisseck, Lance J. Triplett, Duane L. Zimmer, and Billy G. Cowan, described in Application Serial No. 10/065,606, filed November 1, 2002.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is not longer appropriate, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this statement is directed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 8.1.07



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